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Should Healthcare be a Right or a Privilege?

The access and type of healthcare system vary in every country around the world. It first started as a privilege; since diseases were not spread like they are right now. People did not need the healthcare system as a whole, but they needed some of its services. They needed “doctors” who can be found anywhere when they are needed, and they needed a “healthcare team” whenever a fatal disease spreads around. Also, doctors used to treat patients without getting much as a payment. They used to focus on the fact that they can help others and draw an end to the suffer. On the other hand, healthcare systems right now focus on providing healthcare providers of all the possible specialties, but they also focus on the payment and money the stakeholders and the healthcare providers receive. Getting treatment became harder as the healthcare system develops. The more developed a healthcare system is, the more money it needs to take from patients. When people think about the healthcare system, they believe that it should be a right for patients to get treatment, but is it really a right?

For starters, in the right to get treatment is actually part of the sympathetic feelings we hold in our hearts. We want to believe in the equality and equity. We also want diseases and chronic illnesses to stop attacking children and old people. Considering the fact that the number of medical college graduates increases every year, we think that all people around the world will be able to get treatment. It breaks people’s hearts watching fathers and mothers posting their children’s photos in social media, showing the world how their health conditions are worsening, and blaming the healthcare system for this problem because of the money they ask for to get a proper treatment. People normally think with their hearts when it comes to treating diseases and illnesses, so almost everyone believes in the right to get treatment.

On the other hand, when we ask physicians and healthcare providers, mostly they will say that it is a privilege to get treatment. 5 years at least of intense studying the human body in detail with the diseases that affect each part, going through all kinds of exams to get certificates and licenses to be able to treat more diverse conditions, waking up in the middle of the night to answer an emergency call, leaving family in events and gatherings to help a patient, reading about every case in details to give it the rightful treatment, and working extra hard to get to

people's expectations. Healthcare providers believe that they should be rewarded for their hardworking. It is not that they do not want to treat people, but they worked hard to get to this point, so at least they want the society to help them in working hard for the next few years. They would say that people have the right to get treated, but the healthcare providers have the right to get rewards for treating other; since it is a life-time job.

To summarize, people want to have the right to get treatment and find a solution for every health condition around the world. They also believe that having the right will put an end to every poor patient that cannot provide the money for the treatment. In addition, healthcare providers want people to have the right to get treatment, but they also want to be rewarded for their hardworking. If the healthcare system could be modified to be able to give people the right to get treatment and give healthcare providers salaries for their hardworking, it would be both right and privilege.